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The Honorable Charles F. Herring Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee Texas State Senate

Austin, Texas

Letter Advisory No. 29

Re: The constitutionality of

Senate Bill 313, relating to reports by the Comptroller to cities imposing sales tax; providing for lists of delinquent taxpavers

lists of delinquent taxpayers, etc.

Dear Senator Herring:

You have sent us Senate Bill 313 for our review with reference to its constitutionality. The Bill would amend § 5 of Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, the Local Sales and Use Tax Act (Acts 1967, 60th Leg., p. 62, Ch. 36) by adding to it a provision requiring the Comptroller, who is otherwise charged with the responsibility of collecting the tax, to make reports to cities as to those who have remitted payment and those who have not

The duty imposed upon the Comptroller is clearly pertinent to the duty previously imposed to collect the tax. Article 4, § 23 of the Constitution of Texas authorizes the Legislature to define the duties of the Comptroller.

It is our opinion therefore that Senate Bill 313 is not overbroad and is constitutional.

Very truly yours,

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